



VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAYNE



Proclamation

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Public Library System is an integral part of the American Dream, offering places of opportunity, education, self-help and lifelong learning, thereby playing a vital role in providing Miami-Dade County residents with the resources they need to live, learn, and work in the 21st century; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade Public Library System is a changing and dynamic place and librarians are the ultimate search engines, helping people of all ages to find the information that they need in print and online; and

WHEREAS, awareness and support must be increased for libraries, librarians, and library workers by raising their visibility in a positive context and by communicating why libraries are both unique and valuable and how librarians provide the information literacy skills that people need to succeed throughout life; and

WHEREAS, libraries and library supporters across America are celebrating National Library Week with the Campaign for America's Libraries @ *your library*.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROBERT OLDAKOWSKI, MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAYNE, FLORIDA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF APRIL 18 THROUGH APRIL 24, 2004 AS:

MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM APPRECIATION WEEK

IN OBSERVANCE THEREOF I ENCOURAGE ALL RESIDENTS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE WONDERFUL RESOURCES AVAILABLE AT THEIR MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC LIBRARY AND TO THANK THEIR LIBRARIANS FOR PLAYING A VITAL ROLE IN CONNECTING MORE THAN 6 MILLION ANNUAL VISITORS WITH THE RESOURCES THEY NEED TO LIVE, LEARN, WORK, GOVERN AND THRIVE IN THE 21ST CENTURY.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAYNE THIS 9th DAY OF March, 2004.

MAYOR ROBERT OLDAKOWSKI





MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM

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February 26, 2004

Honorable Robert Oldakowski
Mayor, Village of Key Biscayne
85 West McIntyre Street
Key Biscayne, FL 33149

Dear Mayor Oldakowski:

National Library Week (April 18-24, 2004) is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries across the country. This year's celebration marks the launch of an exciting national initiative called "@ your library®." This program draws attention to the essential role of libraries and librarians to our democracy.

We would like to request a special proclamation from you designating the week of April 18-24, 2004 as National Library Week in the Village of Key Biscayne and encouraging people to take advantage of the wonderful library resources available to them and to thank their librarians for their commitment to public service.

Enclosed is a sample of the suggested wording for the Proclamation.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Lucreece Louisdhor-Louinis
Assistant Director, Community Outreach, Programming
& Special Services

Enclosure (1)



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WHEREAS, the history of the Holocaust offers an opportunity to reflect on the moral responsibilities of individuals, societies, and governments; and

WHEREAS, we the citizens of the Village of Key Biscayne should always remember the terrible events of the Holocaust and remain vigilant against hatred, persecution, and tyranny; and

WHEREAS, we the citizens of the Village of Key Biscayne should actively rededicate ourselves to the principles of individual freedom in a just society; and

WHEREAS, the Days of Remembrance have been set aside for the citizens of the Village of Key Biscayne to remember the victims of the Holocaust as well as to reflect on the need for respect of all peoples; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an Act of Congress (Public Law 96-388, October 7, 1980) the United States Holocaust Memorial Council designates the Days of Remembrance of the Victims of the Holocaust to be Sunday, April 18 through Sunday, April 25, 2004, including the international Day of Remembrance known as *Yom Hashoah*, April 18.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROBERT OLDAKOWSKI, MAYOR OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAYNE, FLORIDA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, APRIL 18 THROUGH SUNDAY, APRIL 25, 2004 AS:

DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE

IN MEMORY OF THE VICTIMS OF THE HOLOCAUST, AND IN HONOR OF THE SURVIVORS, AS WELL AS THE RESCUERS AND LIBERATORS, AND FURTHER PROCLAIM THAT WE, AS CITIZENS OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAYNE SHOULD STRIVE TO OVERCOME INTOLERANCE AND INDIFFERENCE THROUGH LEARNING AND REMEMBRANCE.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAYNE, THIS 9th DAY OF March, 2004.

MAYOR ROBERT OLDAKOWSKI



UNITED STATES
HOLOCAUST
MEMORIAL MUSEUM

10
YEARS

EDUCATION
REMEMBRANCE
CONSCIENCE

Dear Mayor:

In accordance with its Congressional mandate, the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum will once again lead the nation in the annual Days of Remembrance of the Victims of the Holocaust, commemorated this year from Sunday, April 18 through Sunday, April 25. The Day of Remembrance, *Yom Hashoah*, is April 18.

This year's observance will honor the memory of the Jews of Hungary, deported sixty years ago in the final stages of World War II, as well as those few courageous individuals, organizations and countries, such as Raoul Wallenberg and the War Refugee Board, who attempted to rescue them. The anniversary of the deportations provides the theme for this year's memorial ceremony, captured in remarks by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt on March 24, 1944: "*For Justice and Humanity.*" During this speech, President Roosevelt called for the rescue of the Jewish population in Hungary, saying, "In the name of justice and humanity let all freedom loving people rally to this righteous undertaking."

Today, as the Museum begins its second decade as America's memorial to the victims of the Holocaust, individual and communal acts of heroism and rescue during the Holocaust serve as powerful examples of how our nation and its citizens can – and must – respond to acts of hatred and inhumanity.

Recognizing the importance that we, as a nation and individually, must strive to overcome prejudice and inhumanity through education, vigilance and tolerance, your personal leadership in this national commitment to remember is essential. Thus, we respectfully encourage you commemorate the Days of Remembrance with appropriate ceremonies and programs and to issue, as was done in the past, a special Days of Remembrance Proclamation for distribution to the citizens of your city. A sample is enclosed for your consideration and convenience. A background piece on the theme is enclosed and we encourage you to access the Museum's website at www.ushmm.org for further information on Days of Remembrance.

We are grateful for your leadership and support in this important endeavor.

Sincerely,

Benjamin Meed
Chairman, Days of Remembrance

Enclosures